

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3147
S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 3147, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF WAIMEA VALLEY, OAHU,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to purchase Waimea Valley on the island of Oahu.

Your Committee finds that Waimea Valley, Oahu, has long been recognized for its beauty and cultural and historical significance. The 1,875 acre valley is also the home of many species of endemic and migratory avifauna, including the endangered nene or Hawaiian goose, koloa or Hawaiian duck, alae ula or Hawaiian gallinule, and the aukuu or black-crowned night heron.

This natural treasure, however, may be lost forever to development by its private owner. The City and County of Honolulu has indicated a willingness to contribute \$5,200,000 to acquire the valley. Other organizations, including the United States Army and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, have also pledged funds to help preserve the valley in its natural pristine condition.

This measure would allow the State to assist in this effort to purchase Waimea Valley to preserve and protect the valley for future generations to appreciate and enjoy.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3147, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

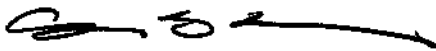
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Third Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the
Committee on Ways and Means
(Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB 3147 SD1	WLA, WAM	2/27/04
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is to:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (2312) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (2311) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold (2310) <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit (2313)		
Members	Ayes	Ayes(WR)
Nays	Excused	
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	/	
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/	
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/	
ESPERO, Will	/	
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/	
HOOSER, Gary L.	/	
INOUE, Lorraine R.	/	
KANNO, Brian	/	
KIM, Donna Mercado	/	
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	/	
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.		-
SAKAMOTO, Norman	/	
HEMMINGS, Fred		-
SLOM, Sam	/	
TRIMBLE, Gordon	/	
TOTAL	13	0
		0
		2
Recommendation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:		
		
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